

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus is configured for applying at least one first layer of a first application medium and at least one second layer of a second application medium to a material web, either directly or indirectly. The at least one first layer and the at least one second layer each are first applied onto a moving base (either the web surface in the case of direct application or a transfer element in the case of indirect application). The apparatus includes a first curtain applicator unit having a first discharge nozzle and configured for discharging the first application medium through the first discharge nozzle in a form of a first curtain onto the moving base. The apparatus also incorporates a second curtain applicator unit which includes a second discharge nozzle and which is configured for discharging the second application medium through the second discharge nozzle in a form of a second curtain onto the moving base. The first applicator unit is positioned relative to the second applicator unit such that a spacing of about 100 mm to about 500 mm separates the first curtain and the second curtain.

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